

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Safe and affordable housing provides the foundation upon which neighborhood and community stabilization is achieved, and family security and personal dreams are realized; and,

Whereas, Tribal, economic and civic leaders and private investors throughout South Dakota continue to work together in partnership to further the opportunities for safe and affordable housing; and,

Whereas, The opportunity to create affordable housing depends upon the successful work of many partners, including Senator Tim Johnson, Senator John Thune, Representative Stephanie Herseth Sandlin; affordable housing developers such as Costello Companies; owners such as CitiHousing, Inc. and Costello Companies; financing partners such as South Dakota Housing Development Authority, USDA Rural Development, Citibank (South Dakota), N.A., and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.; and general contractors such as Developers & Associates, Inc.; and,

Whereas, Sunrise III Townhomes on the Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation in Mission, South Dakota, a neighborhood community of townhomes with project costs of over \$10 million, was created through the innovation and collaboration of the partners; and,

Whereas, Eighty-five percent of the workforce that constructed Sunrise III Townhomes are Native Americans who received training through the on-site trade school, created and managed by Developers & Associates, Inc., with many of the workers continuing to use their skills in other construction projects in and around Mission, South Dakota; and,

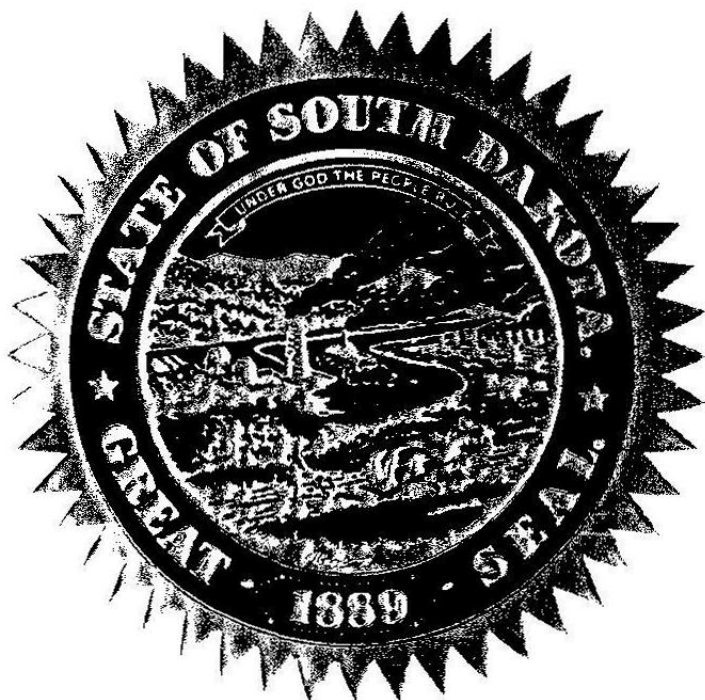
Whereas, The Sunrise complex has more than 300 children that participate in the many youth programs that are sponsored by the Costello Companies' management team and has created a Neighborhood Watch program to keep their new community safe and free from crime; and,

Whereas, One hundred families on the Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation will take pride in and enjoy the benefits of living in their new, safe and affordable housing:


Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 16, 2007, as

SUNRISE III TOWNHOMES DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State